

$^{12}\text{C}(^{40}\text{Ca}, ^{12}\text{C})$  2011Ra43

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2011Ra43: XUNDL dataset compiled by TUNL, 2011.

Measured  $\alpha$ -particle multiplicity =3 events using a high-efficiency charged particle array with the aim of characterizing the  $3\alpha$  decay mode of the  $^{12}\text{C}^*(7.65\text{ MeV})$  Hoyle state. A beam of 25 MeV/nucleon  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  ions from the INFN Cyclotron in Catania impinged on a  $320\ \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$   $^{12}\text{C}$  target and ejectiles were detected in the 1192 element  $\Delta E$ -E Si-CsI(Tl) CHIMERA  $4\pi$  array. Kinematic energy reconstruction and particle correlation functions were used to evaluate the  $^{12}\text{C}$  excitation energies and decay modes for  $^{12}\text{C}\rightarrow 3\alpha$  decay events.

Contributions are observed for DDE: direct emission via 3 equal energy  $\alpha$  particles, SD: sequential decay via  $\alpha+^8\text{Be}_{\text{g.s.}}$ , and DDL: decay from a linear chain of  $\alpha$  particles where one  $\alpha$ -particle remains at rest while the decay energy is shared by the other two.

 $^{12}\text{C}$  Levels

E(level)	$J^\pi$ <sup>†</sup>	$\Gamma$	Comments
$7.61\times 10^3$	$0^+$	0.33 MeV	E(level): Known parameters are $E_x=7.64\text{ MeV}$ and $\Gamma=8.5\text{ eV}$ . $3\alpha$ decay is (7.5 40)% DDE, (9.5 40)% DDL and (83.0 50)% SD. However, see (2012Ma10) who attempted to verify this result, but found evidence only of sequential decay through $^8\text{Be}_{\text{g.s.}}$ (a limit of <0.45% may be attributed to direct 3-body breakup).
$9.64\times 10^3$	$3^-$	1.14 MeV	E(level): known parameters are $E_x=9.64\text{ MeV}$ and $\Gamma=34\text{ keV}$ ; the resonance peak may have contributions from the broad $E_x=10.3\text{ MeV}$ , $J^\pi=0^+$ state.

<sup>†</sup> From Adopted Levels.